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## TENNESSEE TECHNOLOGY ACCESS PROJECT MOVES TO DHS

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Technology Access Project (TTAP) has joined the Division of Rehabilitation Services of the Tennessee Department of Human Services. TTAP, which has been around for 13 years, provides information about assistive technology devices and services to Tennesseans who have disabilities. It was previously part of the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities.

"We believe that having TTAP as part of the Division will allow us to better serve our customers by creating a more comprehensive awareness and service delivery system for assistive technology," said Carl Brown, Assistant Commissioner for Rehabilitation Services.

TTAP's mission is to maintain a statewide program of technology-related assistance to ensure that all Tennesseans with disabilities have the information, services and devices they need to live as independently as possible.

The Division of Rehabilitation Services currently provides more than \$2.5 million dollars in services through five assistive technology centers in Chattanooga, Jackson, Knoxville, Nashville and Memphis. These services are provided to people with disabilities who are looking for a job or are attending college with the goal of getting a job. TTAP works with these centers to promote awareness, advocacy, training and minority outreach activities.

To find out more on how assistive technology might help someone in need, please contact Kevin Wright, TTAP Executive Director at (615) 532-3122 in the Greater Nashville area or toll-free in Tennessee, (800) 732-7059. Mr. Wright may also be reached via TTY at (615) 741-4566; fax (615) 532-4685; or email <a href="mail.state.tn.us">ttap@mail.state.tn.us</a>.